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not to add it to the bill, but do want to give fair warning that I think extending this to do that in the future would be very good thing to do. Thank you.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Thank you, Senator Kristensen. Senator Bohlke, followed by Senator Chambers. Senator Bohlke, on the Pederson amendment.

SENATOR BOHLKE: Thank you, Mr. President and members. I think the concerns that Senator Pederson expressed would be natural ones that would be discussed by the committee in the area of teacher salaries and the involvement of the state. I would have concern with the issue of facility and I am asking legal counsel, Senator Pederson, to draw up an amendment that would take the facility part out, not that I don't think it's an issue, but it seems to me if the task force is going to complete their work by October 1 and really doing what I've talked about, performance pay, 11-month contract, figuring out who's...which teachers are going to receive the salary benefits if you choose to do that, I think adding the facility piece really does burden it down and I would have concerns that we wouldn't be able to meet the goals that that may do. So I will attempt to have...address that issue and remove the facility part. Other than that, I have no problem with the other because I do think it goes hand in hand. I do think that the participation of the state raises those questions in some people's minds about local control. It goes a little bit to our discussion earlier, I guess, on...was it LB 1107, Senator Wickersham's priority bill, that we talk about. We had some discussion then about local control and I have said boards of education set policy generally, and hire and fire the superintendent and that...I know Senator Pederson is smiling. He knows, having been a former board member. So you do see states beginning to do more on teacher salaries. As Senator Kristensen said, when we are about property tax relief, it does come to that at some point in time. And so if, Senator Pederson, you wouldn't object, that's the only thing, and I'll give you a chance to respond to taking the facility portion out.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Would you respond, Senator Pederson?

SENATOR D. PEDERSON: Yes, I would. Senator Bohlke, I think